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REMARKS

Claims 1-47 are pending the present application, as amended in Applicants' prior response, filed on July 6, 2006. Claims 1-47 are rejected.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-47 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-36 of co-pending US application having the serial number 10/804, 259. Since the issuance of the present Office Action, Applicants acknowledge that co-pending application cited by the Examiner has been issued as US 7,169,475 as of January 30, 2007. In response to the present rejection, Applicants file herewith a terminal disclaimer to overcome the rejection.

The Examiner has also rejected claims 1-47 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-34 of US 6,875,514 to Sormani et al. Applicants file herewith a terminal disclaimer to overcome the rejection.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the foregoing, Applicants request allowance of pending claims 1-47. If anything further is needed to advance the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number provided below.

In view of the foregoing, allowance of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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